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From: Jordan-Izaguirr, Denise
Sent: Monday, August 04, 2014 2:56 PM
To: Gravatt, Dan
Subject: FW: [Parents] Precautionary soil testing

Not sure if you all got this

From: Zlatic, Mike [mailto:MZlatic@stlouisco.com]
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Subject: FW: [Parents] Precautionary soil testing

For those who haven't seen this yet.

Mike

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From: Mike Fulton <mfulton@psdr3.org>
Date: Wed, Jul 30, 2014 at 12:28 PM
Subject: [Parents] Precautionary soil testing
To:

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Dear Pattonville staff:

This summer, the Pattonville School District took the precautionary measure of contracting with an environmental engineering company to conduct surficial soil sampling at Pattonville High School and Rose Acres Elementary School. The tests were conducted in response to parent concerns regarding the schools' proximity to the Bridgeton and West Lake landfills (which are located approximately two miles away). Fortunately, the tests at both schools showed no concerns regarding radioactive material being in the soil.

SCI Engineering Inc. collected soil samples in areas where radioactive isotopes would most likely be found, such as athletic fields and playgrounds. Their samples were analyzed by R.M. Wester and Associates Inc. According to SCI's report, naturally occurring radioactive material (NORM) was observed in each sample submitted for analysis, along with Uranium-238 (U-238), Thorium-232 (Th-232) and Potassium-40 (K-40), but **all concentrations are well within safe background ranges** reported by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. SCI Engineering reports that no concentrations of concern were noted during the testing. A copy of the report can be downloaded at the following link: <http://www.psdr3.org/newsinfo/pdf/SCIreport2014.pdf>

The safety, health and wellbeing of our students, visitors and staff are a top priority. As we work in partnership with our families and community members to educate our students, we understand and share their concerns regarding issues with the Bridgeton and West Lake landfills. We will continue to monitor the situation and take whatever steps are necessary to ensure the continued safety and wellbeing of our students, our schools and our community. Please feel free to let me know if you have any questions.

Mike Fulton
Superintendent
Pattonville School District